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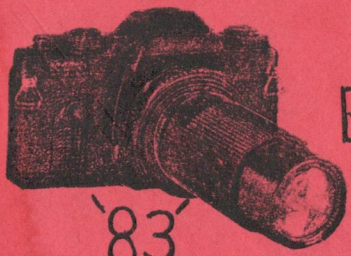

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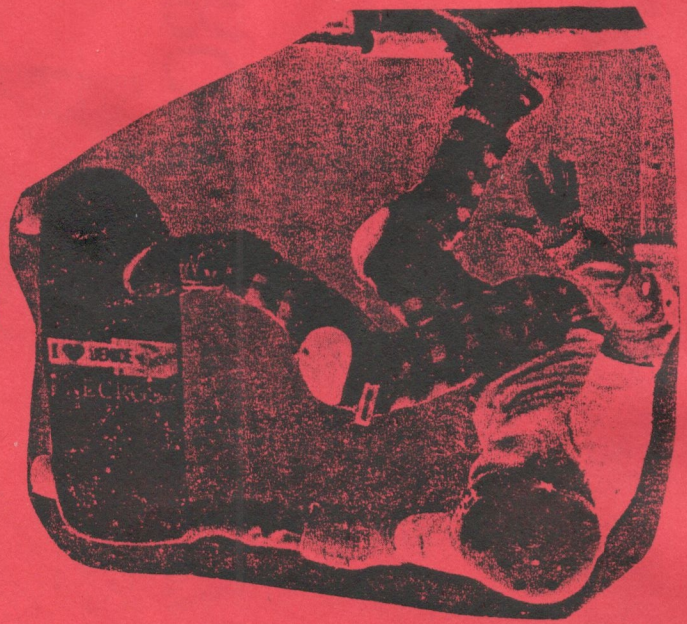

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Todd Thomas caught in the middle of a backside air at the "End of Summer Provo 1/2 pipe Jam!"

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NOTE

Well, here it is, the 2nd issue of SKATE BRIGADE. Well at least you now know that the rag is not a fraud. So how was the first issue? I am going to see if I can get some major skate comps. to print up some ads here for the mag. Since the last time the cost to print up all this "so called skate material" Ha! Ha! Cost about $20.00 I'll try to get some notable companies such as Powell-Peralta, Zorlac, N.H.S., Vision, G&S, Indy, Tracker, Madrid, Walker, Go Skate distributors, Rax distributors, Skates On Haight distributors, And others that might sponsor the mag. I hope it can be pulled off.

Remember, if you have any coments, stories, articles, and/or pics about skating send them in. Because we need all the in-put you can give us. So send in your info and support the only skate rag in this boring Utah-SKATE BRIGADE.

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PROVO SKATE JAM

By Todd Thomas.

TIME- 2:00p.m.-5:00p.m.
PLACE- Provo Utah,Provo canyon 1/2 pipe.
WHEN- Sep.17,1983.
WHY- To see who was the best skater at the end of the summer'83'.

I arrived at the ramp site after an hour and a half of driving around the highways and complete (practicly)desert of Utah-lost.I expected to see lots of skating activity at the ramp when we arrived,but their wasn't a human to be found.Even after I had been franticly calling every possible skater to see if they were going to compete and their reply was "Ya,I'll be there".But no contestants were to be seen.Just a 7ft.high,16ft.wide, 10ft.flat,complete with a extention,rollout decks and copping 1/2 pipe just waiting to be RIPPED! So my two skate friend's and I bailed out of the car to skate the skate creation and practice.About 25 minutes later into the skate session (which by this time was pretty hectic)the first carload of

Todd Thomas
Mute Air

kids came driving up and hopped out."Hey" I said to my one friend Bruce,"Look it's Albian Olson and his buddies".As they all came hopping,skipping,bounding, and tumbling accross the road like little children coming down the stairs on Christmas morn awaiting their Christmas goodies.They were so proud to be there So now we had about 10 people for the skate off.Just then this beautiful betty comes walking out of the house that is on the premisis with a doberman dog by her side and comes over and sits on the fence to spectate the activities.She seemed pretty impressed. But of course Bruce had to try to impress her more by talking to her and asking her questions for answers. He did not seem like he was impressing the impressive figure too much,so I just took another run on the ramp.

Bruce Whitehead

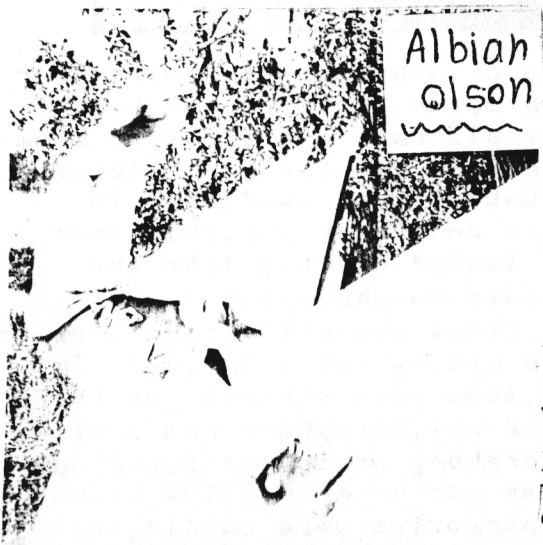
Lean Air.

Just then about 4 carfulls of skate punks drove-skidded into the small parking space provided and bailed out of thier vehicles.They all came over,most of whom I know and said "Hi".Among them was the bass player for the Potato Heads,(a skate/thrash band here in Utah)Steve.He's a real nice and funny guy.This summer he had a skinhead and looked exactly like the lead singer for Minor Threat-Ian Mackaye.And every time you saw him he would greet you with these lyrics- "Hello,I don't think we've met,my names Ian,and I'm from Minor Threat".Anyhow,some more skaters got there and a big session was under way.Everybody was skating up to par and were BIO!Everybody practiced for about a hour and then the contest got under way.The rules were read out,the skate catagories were called,the skate match-ups were figured,and the judges picked.

Among them was Steve,he couldn't skate because he just had a brace taken of his knee.

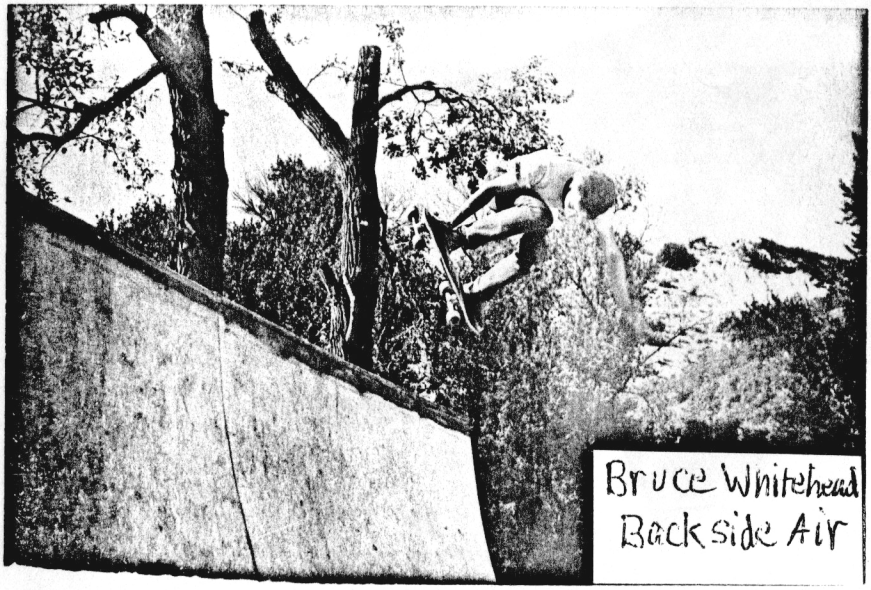
First up were the 14 and under group.Most of these kids are beginners,but they are trying and learning tricks fast!So we're looking forward to seeing them in the future.They all skated well for the maneuvers they know and the results were these-1st up was a un-known.I know him but I forgot his name.He had a good run with front-backside kickturns,little footplants,and little airs.2nd was Albian Olson.He did front-backside kickturns,carves,small fakie footplants,and attempted backside airs.3rd was Carlo. He was doing fakies,kickturns,and little fakie footplants.

Next up was the 15-16 group."Hey,thats mine!" Six skaters including me were gonn'a skate in this group I was pared up with a guy I had never seen before- a un-known.And Denny Sekino was paired up with another un-known.And then a skinhead punk was paired up with one of Steves friends.I didn't know their names either.My friend Bruce was stuck into our age group,because he's 18 and nobody else there was his age.So he was paired up with another guy I have never seen. anywhere.Another un-known.-sorry-The skinhead and Steves friend were up first.But the skinhead was nowhere to be seen.Then I remembered that I saw him go into the house with that betty.But that was 20 minutes ago!Just then he came out of the house that is on the premisis with the betty about 8ft.behind.He had a big grin on his face as he walked toward us. Steve said it was his turn to go but he said he had to leave and everybody laughed.The poor betty turned red instantly when she realized what just happened Oh well,that's what she gets.So the guy he was going to compete against dropped out when he left.So now it was Denny Sekino against another un-known. Denny won with airs,grind switch-foot jumps,and frontside footplants.So now it was Bruce against the other un-known.The un-known went first and shredded! He did layback airs,grind 180 slides,tail tap roll outs,and handplants.He was



scored pretty high, so Bruce was just going to skate flawlessly. Bruce went to the top of the ramp and axle dropped in, and did backside lippers, grinds, 2-3ft. out backside airs, 2ft. out lean airs, and then went into a rock"n"roll slide, but sketched it heavily and bailed But he jumed back on his board and finished his run. Bruce was not up to par like he ussally is, I don't know what the problem was. The un-known beat out Bruce, so now it was Todd Thomas against a nother un-known. The un-known went first. He was flailing around pretty good. He was pulling backside airs, grinds, and assorted slides. Next up was Todd. He dropped in and flew some of the highest backside airs witnessed that day, lean airs, grinds, inverts, mute airs, and a maneuver he made up about a month before that he calls a re-verse footed fakie boneless one. He ended his run and the points were added up, and he came in first. So now it was Bruce Whitehead, Todd Thomas, Denny Sekino, and the un-known had to have a skate off for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th places in their division.

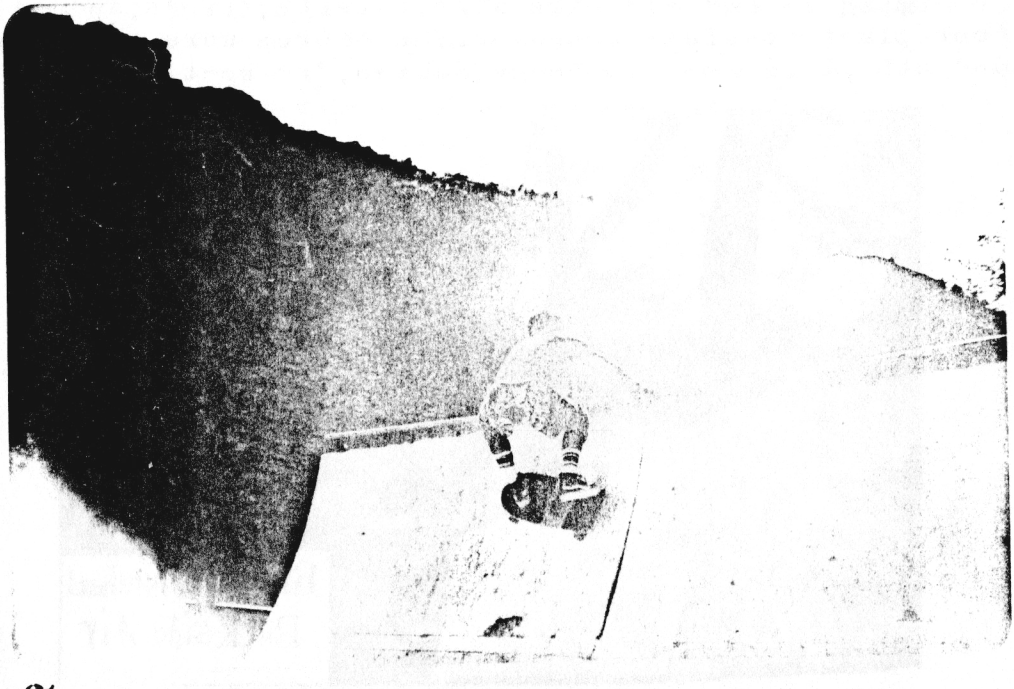
Bruce and Denny went first. Denny went first and did the moves he did before. Not run. Then Bruce went. He axle in and did all types of airs, board slides, and grinds. But he sketched alot. Then it was Todd and the un-known. The un-known went first and did really good again, with his airs, handplants, layback airs, roll outs, grinds, and slides. Then it was Todds turn. He dropped in and did nice airs, inverts, grinds, and his foot plant-boneless maneuver. The scores were added up and 4th place went to Denny Sekino, 3rd went to Bruce



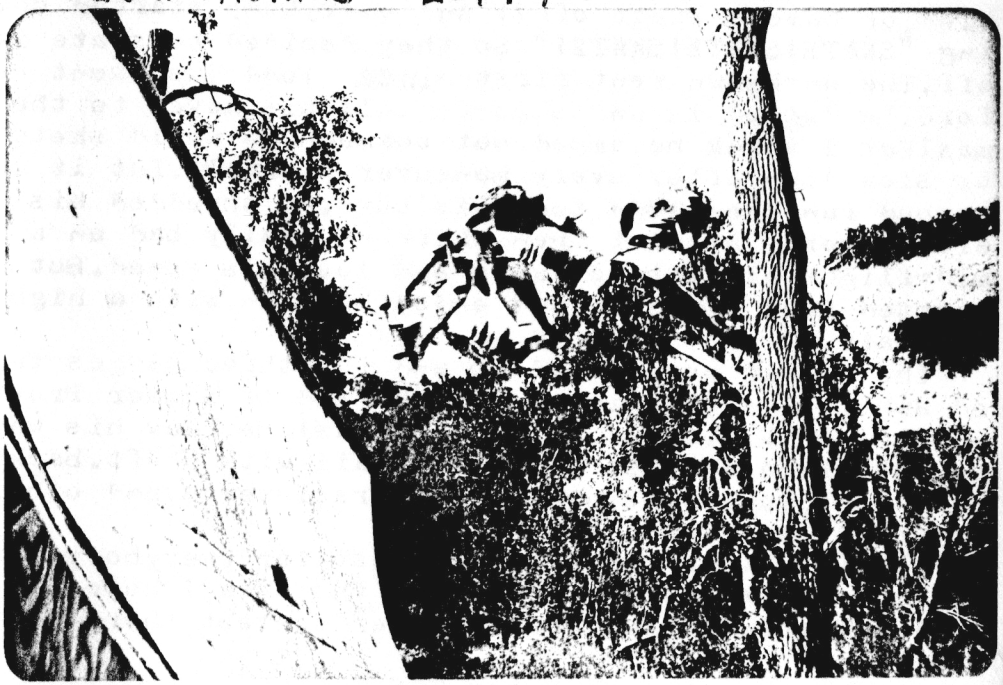
Bruce Whitehead
Backside Air

Un-known - Front side tail tap.

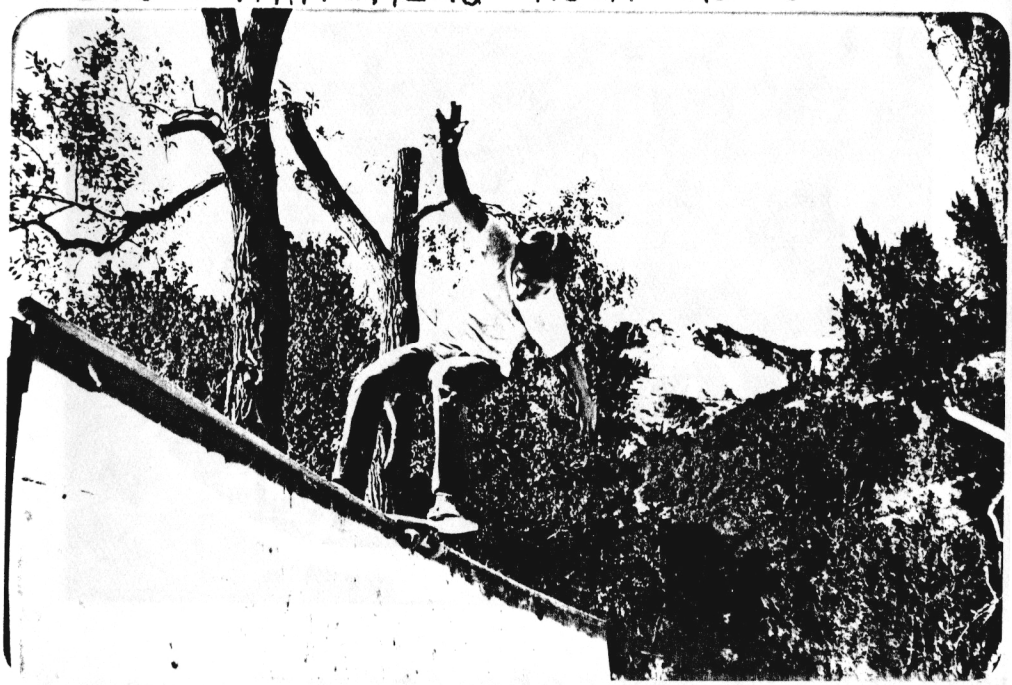
Denny Sekino - Boardslide into fakie



Todd Thomas – Lofty backside air



Bruce Whitehead – Rock'n'Roll boardslide

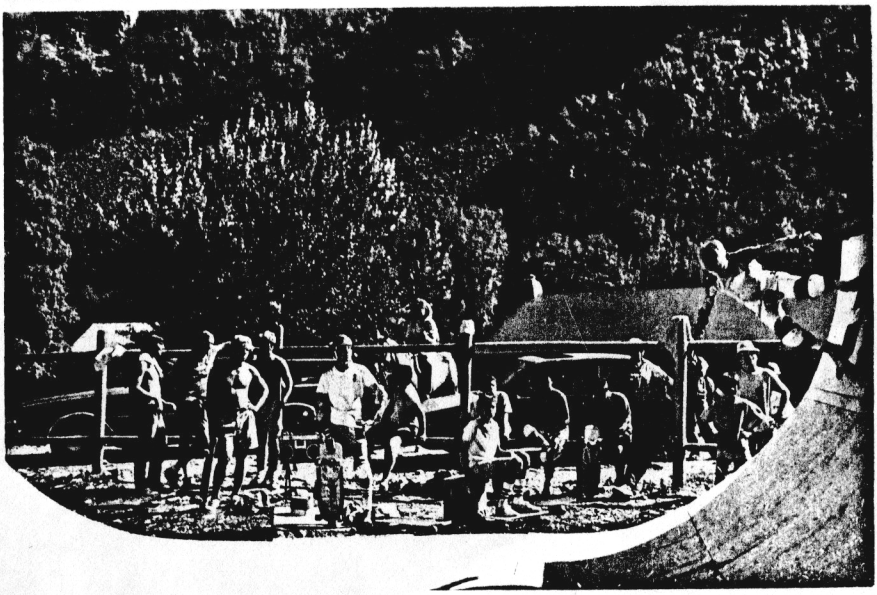


Whitehead,and the un-known and Todd Thomas TIED! So Steve from the Potato Heads said-"Should we keep it tied,or have a skate off?!"And everybody started chanting "SKATE!SKATE!SKATE!" So they decided to skate it off.The un-known went first since Todd just went before.He dropped in and shredded all his moves to the max!But I think he amped out toomuch.He would sketch or slow down after every maneuver practically.But it was a good run.Then Todd took his turn.He shredded his airs,inverts,etc.But then sketched really bad on a mid-flight air into a fakie and lost his speed.But he started back up again and ended his run with a high lean air.

The scores were added up and the three judges talked awhile.And the winner for the End Of Summer Provo Skate Jam is.....Todd Thomas! He flew his way to 1st place,and 1st place over all with 3-4ft.backside airs,mute airs,high lean airs,inverts,and other assorted maneuvers.

All in all it was a fun contest for everybody.As I watched the skaters file out of the area I hoped we would beable to pull off another contest there next year.

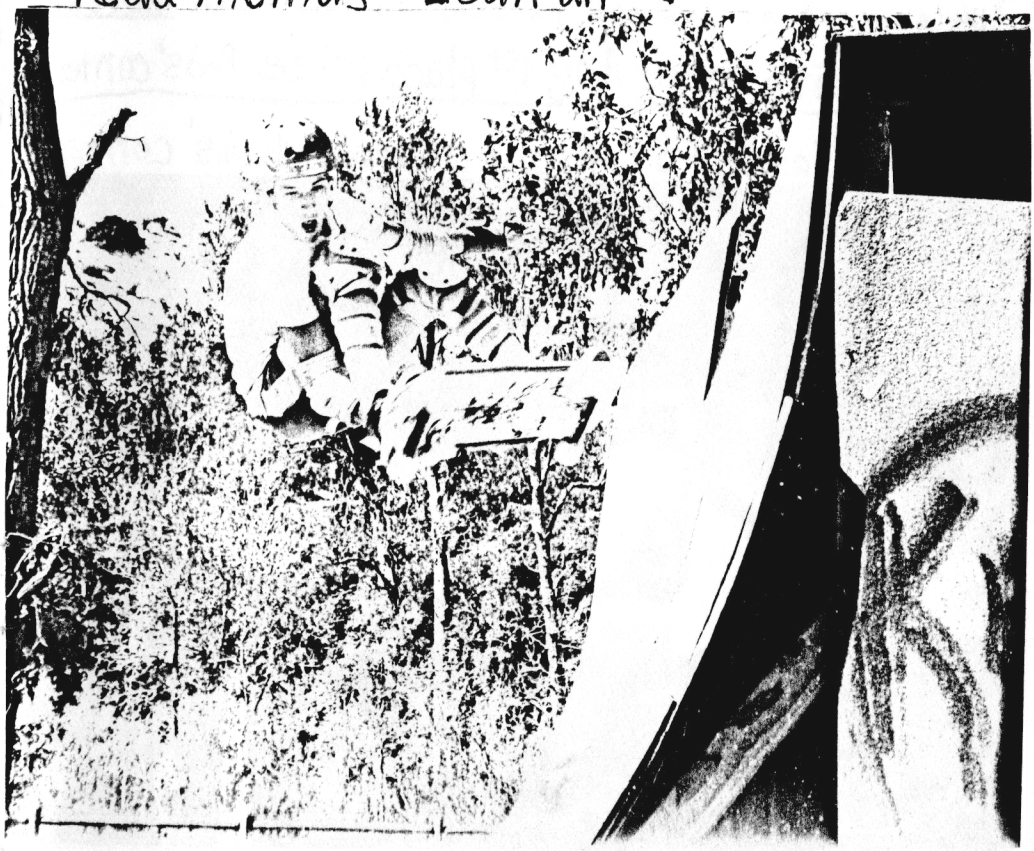
Later,T.S.T.



Some of the contestants

Un-known who tied with Todd Thomas

Todd Thomas - Lean air



Snap Bd

1983? Well you could say it was a very hot year for skating, but then again you could say it was very disappointing also. It was a hot year with the two skate contests that were organized and pulled off here, with all the new styles and moves that were being pulled off at our park, with all the new kids getting into it, and with all the ramps that went up in our area. But then it was a disappointing year with the destruction of our skate park -Bath Surf, the tear down of Andy Brewers 1/2 pipe, and the stopage of making clear grip tape. (no, just kidding! It was kind of sad though?.....) But anyway, 1983 is over and the whole year of '84' is ahead with exciting possibilities for us skaters just waiting to be blazed!!! Ramps will be the scene, and local contests will be in the picture. So go out and skate, and make the skating in '84' as good as was the skating in '83' - But BETTER!

Brad Smith recieving 1st place prize. Peds' contest

-Here- Jamie Fox, front side air. Peds' contest.

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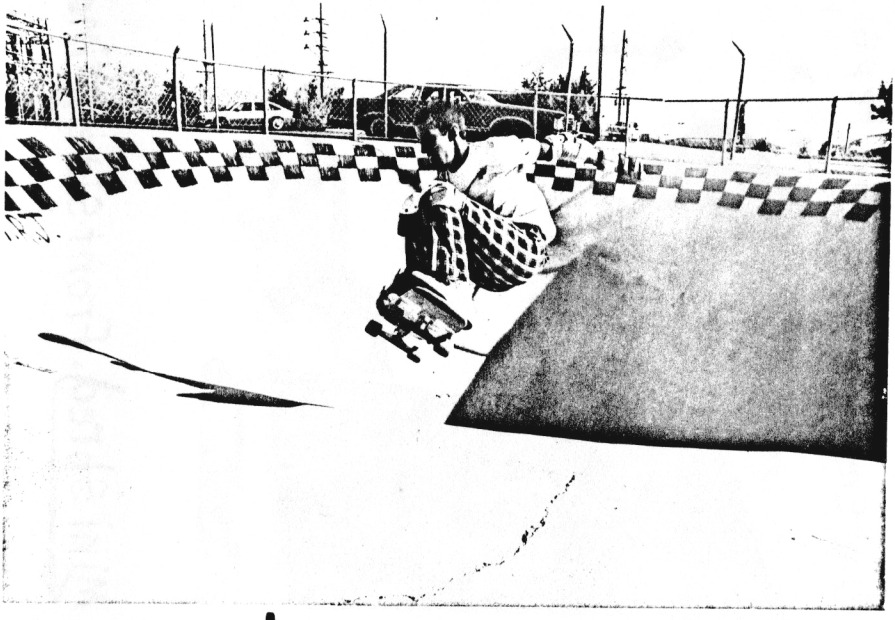
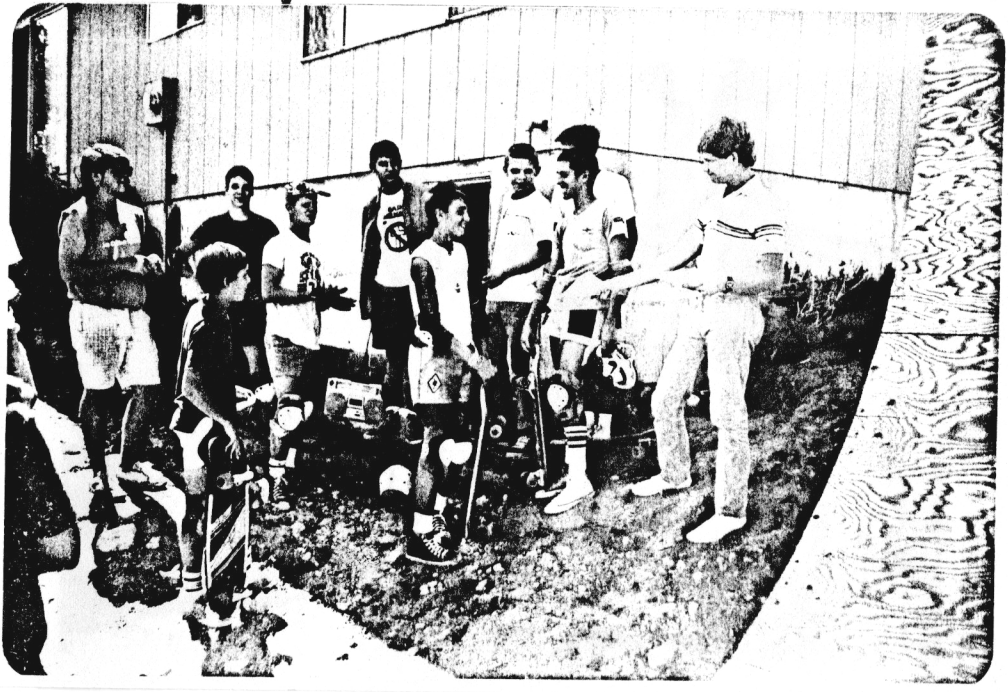
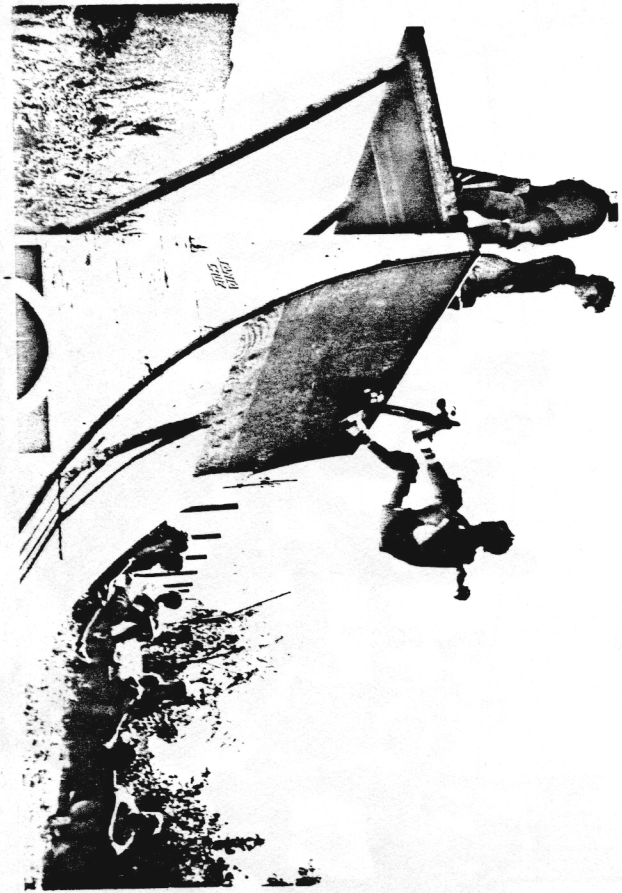
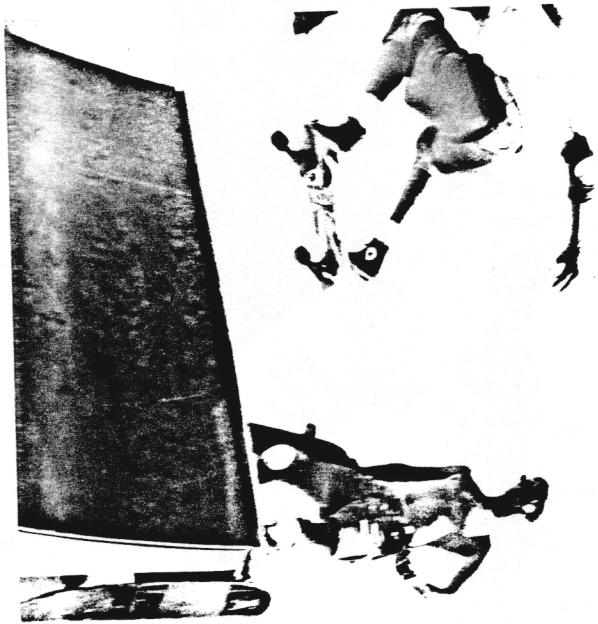
Todd Thomas - frontside air in the Pine cone bowl at Earth Surf.







Brad Smith. Fakie Ollie, Pepsi Ramp



Mini Shred. Front Side grind, Peds' contest.

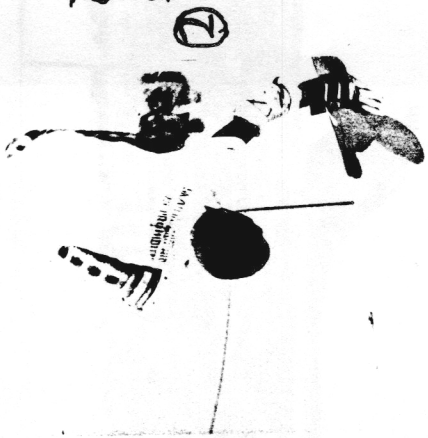
Bruce Whitehead. One footed invert at Earth Surf.

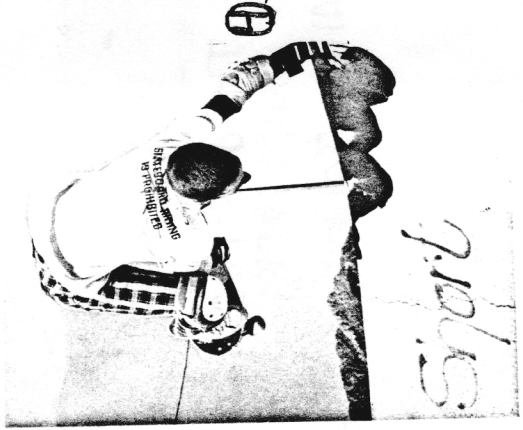
Todd Thomas. Lean air on his old 1/4 pipe. →

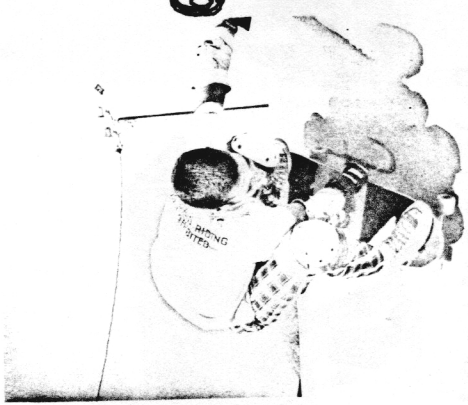
Bruce Whitehead. Layback grind in bowl #1 at Earth Surf. →

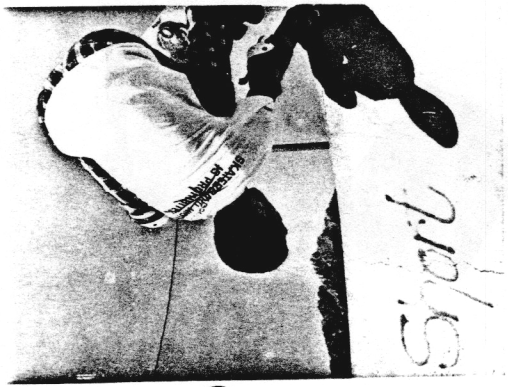
A Del Mar local, caught in the middle of a mid-fakie switch stance.

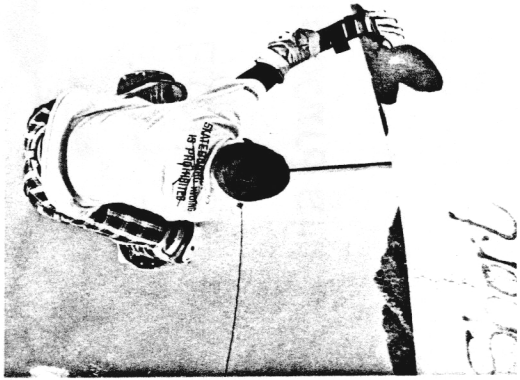
Todd Thomas. Sequence hand plant off short at Earth Surf.





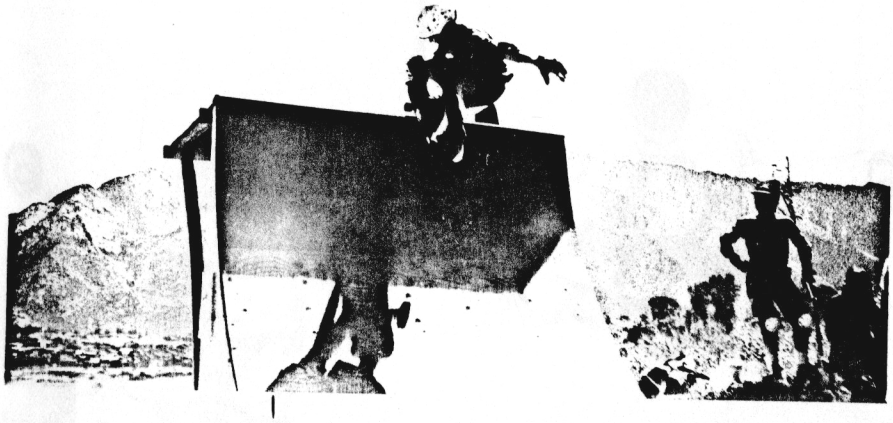






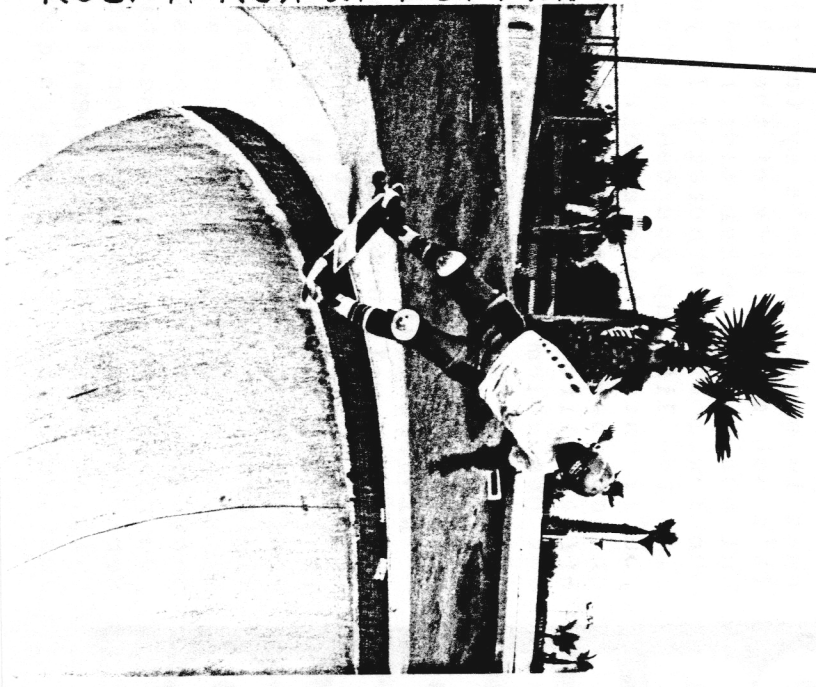
The destruction of Earth Surf Skate Park.

Allen Johnson. Fakie board stall.



Peds' contest.

Amature Pete Finlan. Board slide
Rock'n' Roll at Del Mar.



Brad Smith. Foot plant thruster,
Peds' contest

SNOWBOARDING

BY: KEN SINTZ.

Backside ollies,frontside ollies,lay-backs,carves,cornice jumps,and maximum air capabilities are the things you can perform on Wintersticks.Wintersticks are the ultimate alternatives for the snowy months away from skating.(we still skate though!)

When you go snowboarding you need the following: A Winterstick,(round or swallow tail) Winter wear i.e., sorels or any good warm boots,wool socks,warm pants,(German wool pants work fine) thermal underwear,wool sweater,coat or shell, gators,hat,and good gloves or mittens. Find a nice steep slope and your ready to go.The best places to go (here in Utah) are Alta and then Snowbird ski resorts. Snowbird has nice little runs for sticks, but Alta has absolutly the best runs. Alta has some pretty mean cornices and real mellow slopes.Alta also has little valleys which you can ride like snake runs in a park.Alta's my favorite place. It's not on the side of the ski resort, but but on the other side.Kind of by the Shallow Shaft restauraunt.If you want to ride the lift up you can go to Alta,but you'll have to have a pair of mini skis, or cat down skis-anything to get on and off the lift with.And that's just a big wet probablem of a mess! It's funner just walking though.Besides,riding the lift reminds me of seedless grapes! (G.S.D.?.....)

Wintersticking is really coming along and doing well out here in Utah.Everytime I go up I see lots of riders.Even if I skip school I still see some stickers.The most boards I see up there are Wintersticks,and Burtons.I rarely see a Sims or a Skash.Burton makes a o.k. snowboard for the price I guess,but if you really want to take snowsticking seriously you need a Winterstick roundtail,or swallowtail,it doesn't matter. Just have good ole' mama go down and

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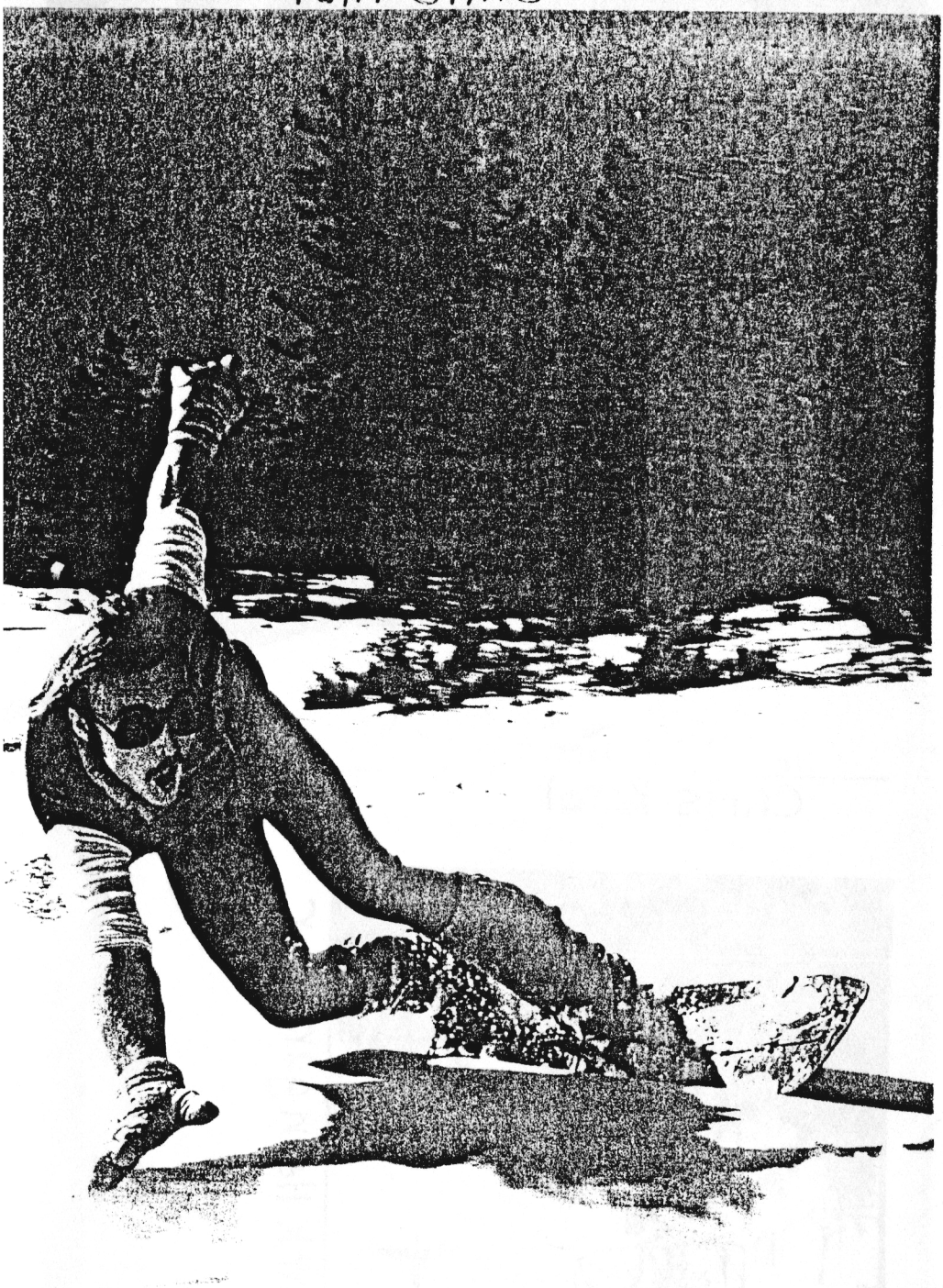
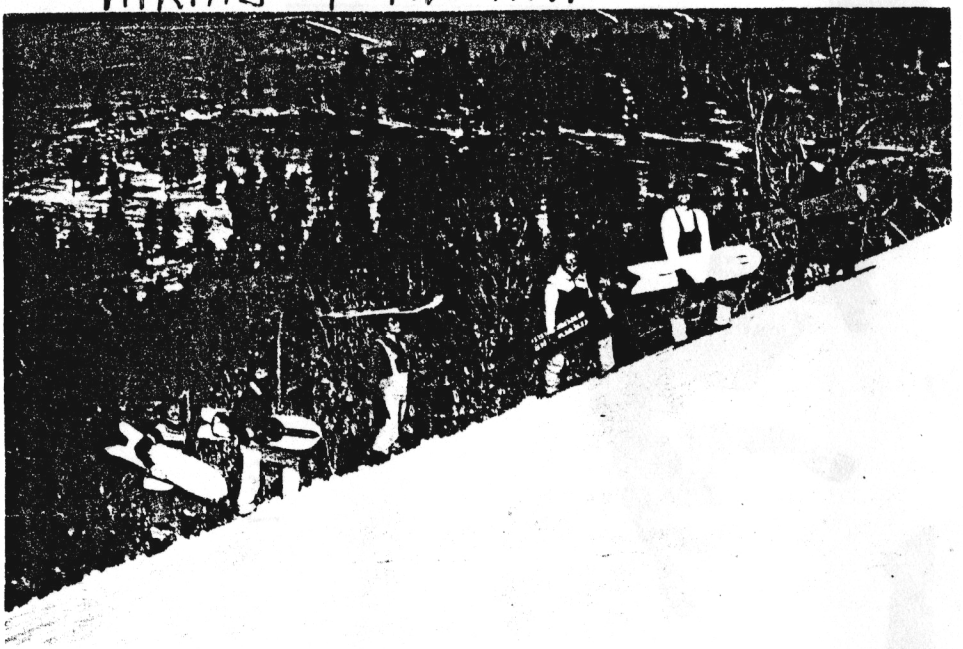


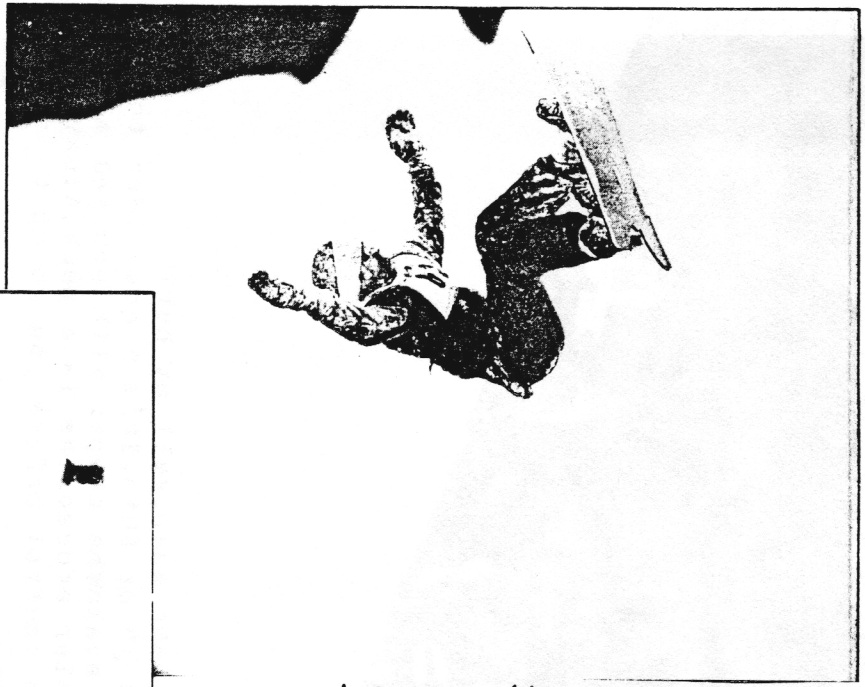
Hiking up the hill.



buy you one.If she wont,yell at her!

Oh well,enough of this.It's a good idea to carry a peeps avalanche beeper with you,and a shovel with your regular accesories in a pack.Always call Avalanche control before you go up to see what's happening.

Well,thats about it. So go grab a stick,have fun,and GET DOWN WITCH YO BAD SELF!



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